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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



Prices were unchanged in all areas throughout the week. The market tone was mostly steady. Retail and food service was light to good with best interest into promotions. Supplies were adequate with larger sizes better balanced compared to last week. Breaking stock prices were irregular with check and undergrades unchanged. Demand was limited and selective. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate and included grade loose and light shell eggs. Floor stocks were balanced to fully adequate. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was about steady. Prices of light type fowl were unchanged. Demand was fairly good with adequate to fully adequate offerings. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was steady. Removal prices were steady at 5 – 11 cents, mostly 6 – 8 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Cartoned egg sales were moderate to fairly good with an increasing number of planned and ongoing retail features providing increased customer interest. Loose egg demand was moderate. Supplies remained adequate to available with the larger sizes in a more balanced position then previously reported. Central states breaking stock prices were irregular with checks and undergrades unchanged. Demand was light and selective with offerings adequate to fully adequate and included graded loose and light shell eggs. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time Trade sentiment about steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	51-60	55-57
LARGE	51-59	53-56
MEDIUM	33-39	36-38

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, western NY, and western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady. Demand improved in some locations and ranged moderate to at times good. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were fully sufficient to ample for the mostly light demand. Spent hen supplies were at least adequate for the fair to fairly good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	59-73	59-63
LARGE	53-67	58-62
MEDIUM	35-48	40-42

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

### COMBINED REGIONAL

Jul 9, 2004

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	65.00	64.00	45.00
SOUTHEAST	62.50	60.50	42.00
MIDWEST	60.00	58.50	41.00
SOUTH CENTRAL	68.50	64.50	46.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	64.23	61.99	43.77

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN			
	07-13-04	07-06-04	07-15-03
Large	34-41	38-45	47-51
Medium	16-20	20-24	33-35

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-JULY 12, 2004

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		No	So	So	5-Area	
		Northeast	Cent	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	13.2	20.7	6.8	9.7	59.9
	Change	-1.1	-6.7	0.0	-0.9	-14%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	19.6	40.6	13.6	21.2	124.6
	Change	-4.0	-14.6	4.1	-1.5	-15%
Large	Curr Wk	44.7	112.5	63.2	91.0	398.3
	Change	0.6	-26.6	4.4	-11.9	-10%
Medium	Curr Wk	19.7	44.5	15.3	35.0	145.0
	Change	-0.7	2.4	3.1	3.2	5%
Small	Curr Wk	11.9	7.2	1.4	7.3	33.9
	Change	2.1	-0.2	-0.4	1.8	6%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.5	35.4	8.0	24.4	77.6
	Change	-1.8	5.7	-1.1	8.4	16%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	11.8	60.4	23.1	27.4	149.0
	Change	1.6	9.0	1.5	-15.2	-3%
Total	Curr Wk	125.4	321.3	131.4	216.0	988.3
Percent	Change	-3%	-9%	10%	-7%	-6%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	988.3	-6%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	265.2	10%	35
Total Shell Egg	1,253.5	-3%	205

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

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Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central- IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central- AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 10-JUL-04**  
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,219,174	29,380	12,065	6,202	3,280	4,029
PW	1,272,734	30,372	12,036	6,330	2,895	4,294
LY	1,216,309	29,054	11,278	6,145	2,529	4,318
% CHG PW	-4	-3	0	-2	13	-6
% CHG LY	0	1	7	1	30	-7
2004	32,750,936	775,521	315,864	173,995	74,788	112,377
2003	30,718,537	749,797	280,099	154,007	61,923	111,831
% CHG YTD	7	3	13	13	21	0

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE - (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	42.39	41.67	41.76
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	39.08	38.29	38.21

**BROILER HATCHERY**

	<u>Broiler Eggs Set,</u> <u>19 Selected States</u>		<u>Broiler Chicks Placed,</u> <u>19 Selected States</u>	
STATE	Jul 03 2004	Week Ending Jul 10 2004	Jul 03 2004	Jul 10 2004
		THOUSAND		
AL	30,690	30,493	21,372	21,998
AR	31,452	31,489	*25,487	26,092
DE	3,444	3,561	*4,951	4,826
FL	1,371	1,366	*1,606	1,498
GA	33,079	33,358	*28,644	27,041
KY	*7,142	7,326	*6,086	6,178
LA	*3,923	3,892	*3,941	3,755
MD	8,892	8,894	*6,120	6,020
MS	19,845	19,845	*17,388	17,116
NC	*17,625	18,124	*15,139	15,463
OK	6,619	6,216	4,600	4,164
PA	*3,898	3,945	*2,877	2,847
SC	3,785	3,510	*4,019	4,203
TX	*15,076	15,380	12,752	12,704
VA	6,832	6,863	5,216	5,701
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*16,683	16,796	*16,263	15,933
19 State Total	*210,356	211,058	*176,461	175,539
Previous Year Total	205,357	204,920	171,574	169,458
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	103	103	104

\*Revised

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 21-Aug-04 is estimated at 161.6 million head. This compares to 161.2 million head the previous week and to 160.3 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 162.5 million head and the composite weighted average price was 63.60 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES  
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUL 08, 2004-JUL 14, 2004

Current Loads	54.00	Future Loads	50.25	Total Loads	104.25
SE	NE	MW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	36.75	40.14	37.00	39.17	--
GNR W 3	--	--	--	--	29.75
GNR W 4	--	--	--	--	26.00
GNR BR 1	--	51.00	--	--	--
GL W J	--	--	63.00	64.33	58.00
GL W XL	--	49.53	50.00	50.72	45.97
GL W LG	--	49.36	41.17	45.75	42.11
GL W MD	32.00	31.10	29.21	30.71	29.88
GL W SM	--	--	27.54	29.48	--
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	41.63
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	29.50
NRBS - 39	--	28.25	25.67	29.25	26.00
NRBS - 36	--	23.00	21.00	--	18.50

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 10-Jul-2004

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW	PCT CHG PW	LY
ATLANTA	28.3	26.5	7	30
BOSTON	3.3	3.4	-3	-4
CHICAGO	62.0	55.2	12	0
DETROIT	25.5	26.6	-4	-3
KANSAS CITY	3.9	4.4	-10	-10
LOS ANGELES	92.9	92.1	1	9
NEW ORLEANS	8.0	8.2	-2	-41
NEW YORK	28.4	32.2	-12	-12
ST. LOUIS	18.2	14.6	25	-2
SAN FRANCISCO	20.3	21.8	-7	-9
TOTAL	290.8	285.0	2	-2

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 10-Jul-2004  
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	YOUNG TURKEYS			TOTAL TURKEYS		
	PCT CHG	AVG LIVE	OLD BAND	AVG LIVE		
-THOUSAND HEAD-	PW	WT	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT		
N EAST	659	-26	21.44	(A)	660	21.44
SATL	689	-9	30.42	(A)	690	30.42
N CENT	1,761	-16	31.81	(A)	1,762	31.81
S CENT	422	-28	20.53	(A)	423	20.53
WEST	303	29	26.22	(A)	303	26.22
U.S. TOTAL	3,834(B)	-16	28.11	4	3,838	28.11
TO-DATE						
2004	114,988(B)			177	115,165	
TO-DATE						
2003	125,002(B)			394	125,396	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included:  
this week 63,000; for the current year to date 1,226,000; for last year to date 1,671,000.**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED**

	YOUNG		YOUNG		OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS			
	THOUSANDS					
HEAD	1,535	2,236	63	4		3,838
AVG WT	16.00	36.50	24.63	42.59		28.11
LAST WEEK	1,809	2,728	44	5		4,586
SAME WK YR AGO	2,125	2,901	47	21		5,094
AVG WT	15.85	35.33	24.28	29.70		27.08
TO-DATE/2004	46,139	67,623	1,226	177		115,165
TO-DATE/2003	49,635	73,696	1,671	394		125,396

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** W/E 10-July-04

(PRELIMINARY)	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	145,999	1,361	1,229	2,590	439
AVG WT	5.15	3.27	8.10	5.56	6.65
LAST WEEK	160,885	1,452	1,354	2,806	480
SAME WK YR AGO	159,849	1,153	1,515	2,668	347
AVG WT	5.23	3.74	8.04	6.18	6.68
TO-DATE/2004	4,178,324	36,058	34,995	71,053	12,513
TO-DATE/2003	4,125,868	43,861	36,879	80,740	11,200

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 147.8 million head, or 16.2 million less than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER****UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 17-Jul-04**

CLASS	Current Week 07/17/04(1)	Previous Week 08/10/04
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
BRO-FRY	163,768(2)	154,812
LT HENS	1,590	1,448
HVY HENS	1,506	1,216
TOTAL	166,864	157,476

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 17-Jul-04 is 165.2 million head compared to 159.1 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 164.1 million head or 1.1 million less than estimated available. For the week of 24-Jul-04 the estimated available is 167.1 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO****ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING		MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
JUNE	5	144.6	163.1	89%	5.24
	12	165.1	164.1	101%	5.27
	19	157.7	164.6	96%	5.28
	26	164.0	164.3	100%	5.35
JULY	3	162.8	164.2	99%	5.09
	10	147.8	164.0	90%	5.15
YEAR TO DATE		4229.2	4312.8	98%	
JULY	17		165.2		
	24		167.1		

**READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS**

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers f.o.b. and Delivered to First Receivers at major market areas week of 7/12/04-07/16/04 (cents per lb.)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	78.00-81.00	80.53	43	82.35	77	
Los Angeles	86.00	85.44	63	86.68	135	
New York	81.00-84.00	83.15	41	82.04	72	

**COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from		
12-Jul-04	5-Jul-04	5-Jul-04	14-Jul-03
83.79	0.35	83.44	64.11
NUMBER OF LOADS	597		

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,** FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
<b>CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/</b>				
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-73	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-71	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-71	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	70-71	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	70	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	70-71	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - (INCL GOVT STOCKS)****SELECTED STGE CENTERS (IN THOUSANDS)**

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 07/12/04	3,306	199,551	52,577
AM 07/01/04	3,364	197,449	57,329
CHG	-58	2102	-4752
PCT CHG	-2%	1%	-8%

**HEN MARKETS**

**HEAVY TYPE** Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 12-JUL-04

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
<b>Southeast (1)</b>	6.25-15 CENTS/LB.	9.5-10.5	10.26
<b>Southeast (2)</b>	TFEWR		
<b>South Central(1)</b>	6-13 CENTS/LB.	9.75-10.25	10.05

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

**LIGHT TYPE** 09-July-04 Cents per Head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

	RANGE	MAJORITY
<b>Eastern</b>	5-12	9-10.5
<b>So. Central</b>	Too Few To Report	
<b>No. Central</b>	5-11	6-8

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT**

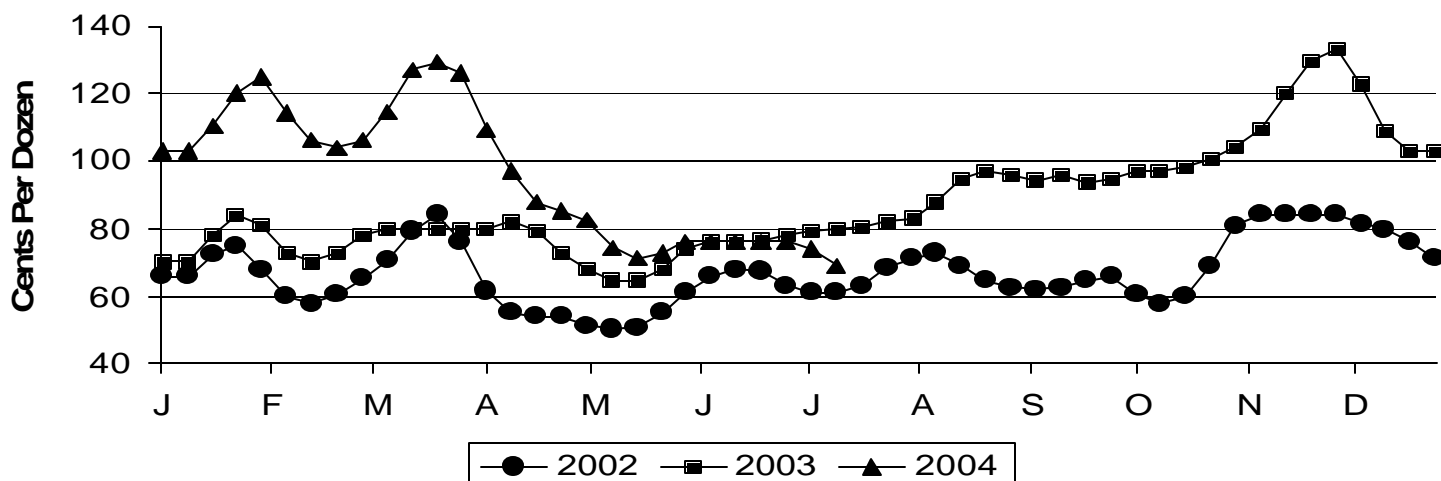
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
<b>REGIONS</b>			
N. ATLANTIC	224.2	-2	10
E.N. CENTRAL	532.3	-2	4
W.N. CENTRAL	272.6	-2	-32
S. ATLANTIC	204.4	-1	17
S. CENTRAL	72.0	6	-31
WEST	190.4	1	7
TOTAL	1496.0	-1	2
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		85	85

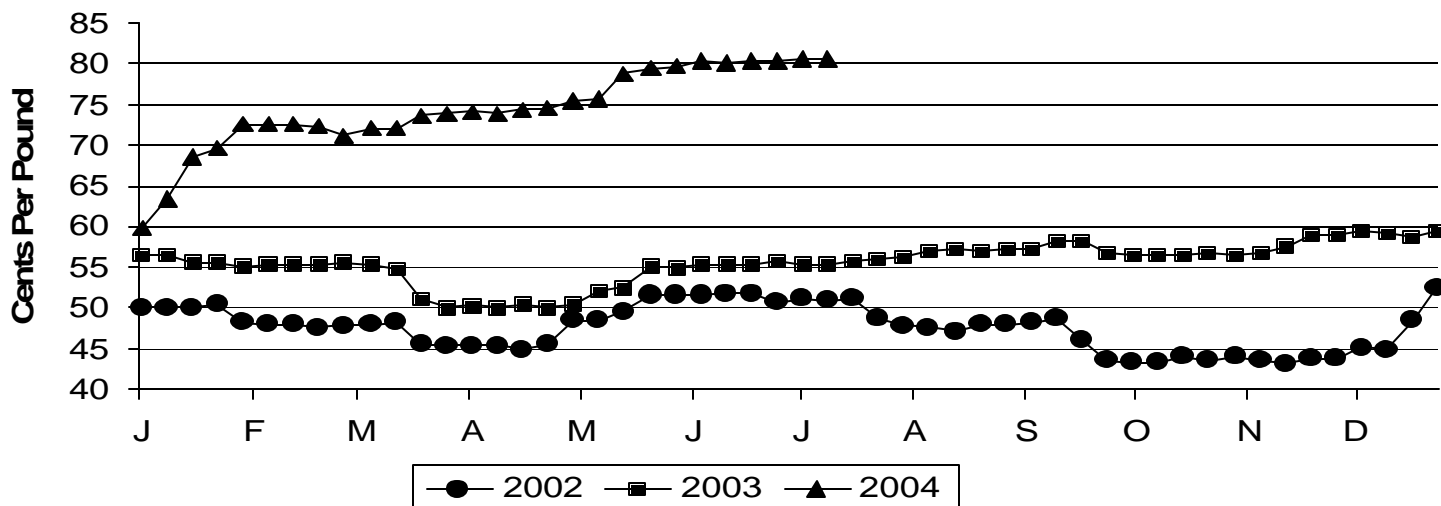
**AREAS COVERED:**

NORTH ATLANTIC (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MD,DE)  
EAST NORTH CENTRAL (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN)  
WEST NORTH CENTRAL (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)  
SOUTH ATLANTIC (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY)  
SOUTH CENTRAL(TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)  
WEST (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

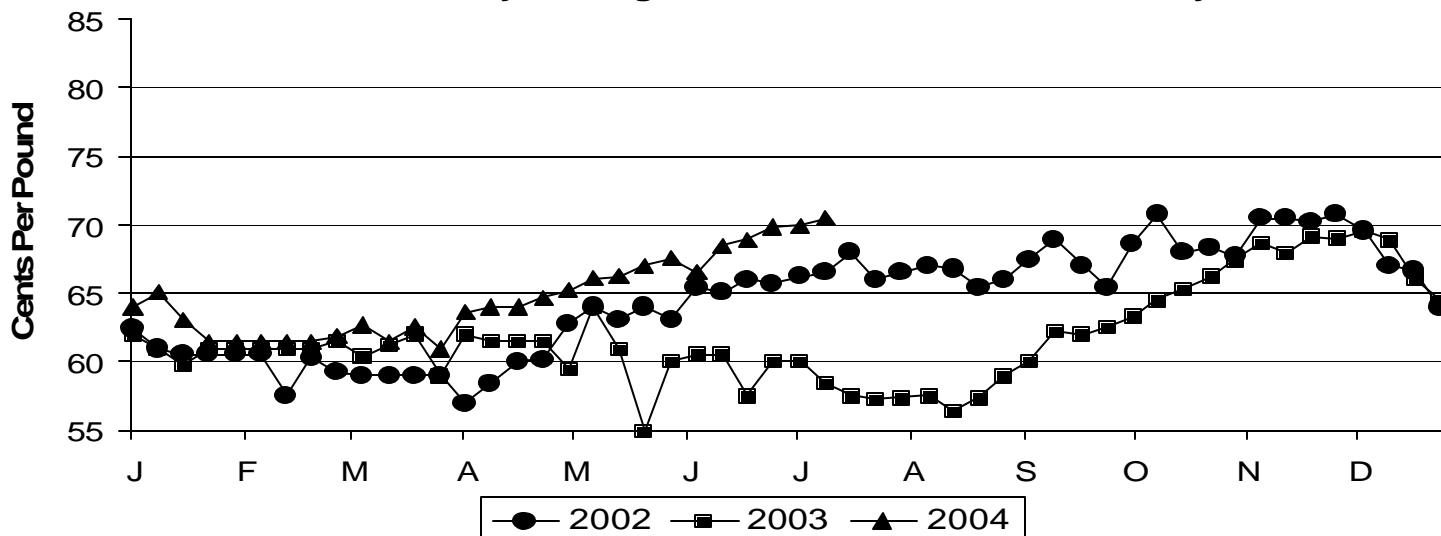
### New York Large Weekly Average Price



### Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices



### Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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